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TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith please find a Response to a Notification of Missing Requirements mailed on January 23, 2006, an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-Form 1449, one (1) reference and a Request for Correction for filing in the above-identified application. A check in the amount of \$130.00 is enclosed herewith. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the **Deposit Account of Fay Kaplun & Marcin**, **LLP No. 50-1492** any additional fees. A copy of this paper is enclosed for this purpose.

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RESPONSE

In response to a Notification of Missing Requirements mailed on January 23, 2006, transmitted herewith is an executed Declaration, an executed Power of Attorney, an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 Form and a Request for Correction for filing in the above-identified application. A copy of the Notification is also enclosed herewith.

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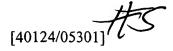
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REQUEST

The Applicants hereby request the Commissioner correct the following errors and issue a Corrected Filing Receipt. In particular, upon review of the Transmittal, the Applicants discovered the Transmittal included typographical errors: the last name of the fifth Inventor was stated as "Klumper". However, the correct last name is "KLUEMPER". In addition, the Priority Appln. Serial No. was incorrectly listed as 1304640.2. However, the correct serial no. is 10304640.2. Thus, the Applicants have prepared a new Transmittal with the correct information. A copy of the executed Declaration and the originally filed Transmittal with markings in red ink is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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U.S. NATIONAL PHASE PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Applicants herewith submit to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

International Application No.:

PCT/EP2004/001023

International Filing Date:

4 February 2004

Priority Application No.:

DE Patent Appln. Serial No. 1304640.2 /0304640, 2

Priority Date Claimed:

5 February 2003

Applicant(s) for DO/EO/US

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Title of Invention:

Clamping Device for a Steering Column

Applicants' Statements:

- This is a first submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- 2. This is express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)).
- 3. A copy of the International Application as filed has been transmitted by the International Bureau.

Enclosed herewith please find the following:

- 1. 19 sheets of Specification, 3 sheet of Claims and 1 sheet of Abstract.
- 2. 4 sheets of Drawings.
- 3. 34 sheets of PCT Published Application No. WO 2004/069629.
- 4. 5 sheets of PCT Request.
- 5. 4 sheets of PCT Search Report performed by EPO.
- 6. 5 sheets of Chapter II Request.
- 7. 5 sheets of Chapter II Examination Report
- 8. 1 sheet of PTO-Form 2038.
- 9. Return Receipt Postcard

Please associate <u>Correspondence Address</u> and Attorney Docket No. <u>40124/05301</u> with Customer No. 30636.

Please charge the Credit Card of Fay Kaplun & Marcin, LLP in the amount of \$900.00 for the filing fee calculated as shown below:

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the payment of any additional fees associated with this communication or arising during the pendency of this application, with the exception of the issue fee, to the Deposit Account of Fay Kaplun & Marcin, LLP No. 50-1492.

When payment of the issue fee has previously been provided or authorized, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any post issuance fees required, except for patent maintenance fees, to the Deposit Account of Fay Kaplun & Marcin, LLP No. 50-1492. A copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed for Deposit Account purposes.

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By.______ Oleg F. Kaplun (Reg. No. 45,559)

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 08/03/2005
- English Translation of the IA filed on 08/03/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 08/03/2005
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 08/03/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 08/03/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 08/03/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 08/03/2005
- Specification filed on 08/03/2005
- Claims filed on 08/03/2005
- Abstracts filed on 08/03/2005
- Drawings filed on 08/03/2005

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

• \$130 Surcharge.

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ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.

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